

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply mailed from the Patent and Trademark Office on April 4, 2000 (paper No. 10), please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING

Please cancel from the application Replacement Sequence Listing pages 56-62 and substitute therefor the attached Replacement Sequence listing pages 1-7. Please consecutively renumber all pages following the deleted Replacement Sequence Listing.

REMARKS

This supplemental Preliminary Amendment conforms the Sequence Listing of the Application to the rules of practice specified by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Enclosed herewith are: (1) a paper copy of the Replacement Sequence Listing, (2), and a computer readable version of the Replacement Sequence Listing. In view of the foregoing, the application is believed to fully comply with the Sequence listing disclosure requirements.